

St Barnabas Cluster of Parishes



Churches

- St Augustine's, Langcliffe Drive, Heelands, MK13 7PL
- St Bede's, High Street, Newport Pagnell, MK16 8EN
- Christ the King, Frithwood Crescent, Kents Hill, MK7 6HQ
- St Edward's Burchard Crescent, Shenley Church End MK5 6DX
- St Mary's, Aspley Hill, Woburn Sands, MK17 8NN
- Our Lady of Lourdes, St Pauls, Moorgate, Leadenhall, MK6 5NA
- Christ the Cornerstone, Saxon Gate, MK9 2ES

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Dear Friends,
Well done on remembering
the new Mass times last
weekend!

It will take us a little while to
get used to them, but thank
you for your patience and
understanding in the
meantime.
With blessings,
Fr Francis

Open House

Every Monday between
5.30pm and 7.30pm in the
Cluster Office, (St
Augustine's,
Langcliffe Drive,
Heelands). Each
of the priests
and the secretary are usually
available to speak about
anything, and deal with
administrative tasks for all of
our Parishes, such as
booking baptisms or
weddings, completing school
application forms etc. There
is no need to make an
appointment.



Fr Paul's Retirement

As you heard last
weekend at St
Edward's, Fr Paul
was involved in a
car accident whilst
on holiday and is currently in
hospital in France.
Arrangements have been
made for him to return
home, hopefully in the next
few days, but obviously he
won't be well enough for the
retirement Mass that we had
arranged for next weekend.
The event will be rearranged
for the near future when he
is feeling better. Thank you
for your generosity in the
collection for a gift, there will
be another opportunity to
contribute this weekend as
you leave church.



Keep the date free

Saturday 9th November will
be the Christmas Quiz Night
at St Mary's
Church Hall
Woburn Sands.
More details to
follow in the
next few weeks.



First Reconciliation and Communion Preparation

First Communion
Preparation has already
begun at St Edward's and
we are unable to accept any
new members. The
programme will begin for the
other parishes after half term
and full details and
application forms for children
in Year 3 and over will be
available from Mass in the
next few weeks.

St Paul's School Tours



Are you interested in finding
out more about St Paul's?
There are tours for Year 5 and
Year 6 parents taking place on
27th September and 11th
October, starting at 9.30am
and lasting one hour. To
reserve a place please call
01908 669735 or email
Belinda.Joyce@st-pauls.org.uk
with your preferred date.

Mass for Victims and Survivors of Abuse

The Diocesan Safeguarding
Office has arranged a Mass
for victims and survivors of
abuse, their families and
supporters which will be
held at St Mary's Church,
Woburn Sands at 12 noon,
on Saturday 12th October.
The focus will be on
healing, reconciliation and
the forming of
compassionate links.

Annual Academic Mass

On Tuesday 1st October at
4.30pm, the Annual Academic
Mass for teachers will be
celebrated at St Mary
Magdalene Catholic Primary
School, Greenleys, MK14 6HB.
All Catholic teachers are
welcome to attend including
those teaching in non-
Catholic schools.

Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary

Rosary gathering outside the
Church of Christ the
Cornerstone on Monday 7th
October at 6pm.

Pilgrimage to the Shrine of St Edward the Confessor

There are a few places left on
the coach visit to the Shrine
of St Edward in Westminster
Abbey on Saturday 19th
October, if you are interested
in joining the Pilgrimage or
for more information please
email:

elisa.mccarthy@btinternet.com
Cost is £21 per person,
including a £10 non-
refundable deposit, with
transportation to/from St
Edward's. The coach will
leave at 7.30am and return
about 5.30pm.

Walsingham Pilgrimage

The event, to be led by
Bishop Mark O'Toole, is on
Sunday 6th October in
Walsingham.
A coach will leave The
Church of Christ the
Cornerstone, at 7.45am
returning from Walsingham
at 5pm. Tickets are £16
including entrance to the
Priory. Please bring a packed
lunch. To book please
contact Penny Souster on
07877236160. More details
are at the back of the
Church.

St Augustine's Church Cleaning

We would like to thank all of
the volunteers who have
worked hard to keep St
Augustine's Church clean
over the past year. There
have been a few difficulties,
so it seems a good time to
make some new
arrangements. There are sign
up sheets at the back of the
church, and over the next
few weeks, if you would like
to volunteer for this church
ministry, please sign up. If
you are due to clean in the
next few weeks please
continue with the current
rota until the new one is
published. Thank you.

Day of Reflection

On Saturday 12th October at St Thomas Aquinas Church, Bletchley, MK2 2JE, a day of reflection entitled 'Entering the Mystery: Salvation history in art', is being held. Please contact the booking secretary by email at: holycrosschurch@btinternet.com or call 01234 353116 for more details or to book a place.

Soup Sunday



On Sunday 6th October, in support of CAFOD Harvest Fast Day, St Mary's parishioners invite you to join them in a simple soup and bread lunch, in place of your usual Sunday meal. The lunch will take place after the 11am Mass in St Mary's church hall. There will be information on CAFOD work and all donations will go to support the Fast Day Appeal. Today at all of the Masses we will have speakers to talk about this years CAFOD Appeal

Divine Mercy Devotions

Will take place this Sunday 29th September after 11.30am Mass at Christ the King Church and every following fourth Sunday of the month



Traidcraft

The Traidcraft Stall will be open in St Mary's Church Hall, Woburn Sands, after each Mass this weekend, 28th and 29th September. Please come along and see the range of Fairtrade products available.

St Paul's Open Evening



An Open Evening for prospective Year 7 parents is to take place on Tuesday 8th Octobers from 6.30pm to 8.30pm.

Hope MK 2019


Hope MK are offering 4 days of fun activities, a chance to make new friends, grow in faith and help the community, from October 28th October until 31st October 2019. The cost is £55 per young person in school years 7-11, and includes all activities plus a t-shirt, hoody and two meals per day. To find out more, and book online please visit www.hopemk.com. For those who need financial support please contact Sajin Simon on 07760898977.

Cluster Office Staff


Over the next few weeks we will be restructuring our office team.

- A new part-time administrative assistant, Emily Elvin, has joined us.
- Di Walls who has been the parish secretary at Christ the King and St Bede's, for a number of years, retiring. Di has been an important part of the team, we will miss her very much.

MK Food Bank

At this time of year we should also remember the  Food Bank a local charity that aims to alleviate food poverty through providing emergency food parcels to those in need. One thousand of these parcels are supplied in Milton Keynes each month. Each parcel contains a three day supply of food. Please help by donating: long-life milk and juice, tinned rice pudding, meat, pasta/spaghetti tomatoes and custard, as well as teabags. Collection points are at the back of St Augustine's and St Mary's Churches.

Mass Count

This weekend,  will be the second weekend of the four, that we will count the number of people at each Mass for the Diocesan Statistics.

'Our Catholic Schools Week'

On Sunday 13th October, schools across the Diocese will be celebrating the culmination of 'Our Catholic Schools Week'. At Christ the King, the pupils from St Bernadette's Catholic School will be leading the hymns and readings and will be serving refreshments to parishioners in the Narthex after Mass. Staff will also be available to explain the procedures for applying for a school place for your child at our Catholic Schools in Milton Keynes. Pupils from St Paul's, Secondary School, will also speak at the end of Mass. We would be delighted if all children who attend mass at Christ the King at 11.30 on 13 October, would come to Mass in their school uniform and join the pupils of St Bernadette's in making it a wonderful celebration of Our Catholic Schools.

Job Vacancy

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Luton, are seeking to appoint a Deputy Head teacher for January 2020 or earlier, if possible. Visits to the school are encouraged. For further details visit: www.stjosephsprimaryluton.co.uk. Closing date for applications is midday on Friday 11th October 2019. Interviews will take place on Wednesday 16th October.

New Sunday Mass Times

Just to remind you:
St Edward's: Sat 6.30pm, Sun 10am
St Augustine's: Sun 8.30am and 11.30am
St Mary's: Sun 11am
All other Masses remain at the previous time.

Last weekend's collection:

St Augustine's : £1291.86
St Bede's: £305.17
Christ the King: £528.98
St Edward's: £483.75
St Mary's: £623.85
Our Lady of Lourdes and Cornerstone: £943.89

*Thank you for your generosity.
(Amounts include standing orders)*

**Second Collection next week:
CAFOD Fast Day**

Liturgies for the Week Beginning 29th September

Saturday (Vigil)

5pm Christ the Cornerstone Reconciliation
5.30pm Christ the Cornerstone
6pm St Edward's Reconciliation
6.30pm St Edward's
6pm St Mary's Reconciliation
6.30pm St Mary's

Sunday Twenty-Sixth of the Year

8.30am St Augustine's Margaret Murphy RIP
9am St Bede's Mia Pauya Ron Coleman RIP Susan Connell RIP
9.30am Our Lady of Lourdes
10am St Edward's
11am St Mary's Deceased members of the Barry and Cooney families Lily, Joseph, Wendy and Clement Pereira RIP
11.30am St Augustine's All Saints in Thanksgiving
11.30am Christ the King Sylvia and Felix Vella, 64th Wedding Anniversary Elizabeth Walls RIP Cornelius Canty RIP
2pm St Augustine's (Polish)
6.30pm St Augustine's Len Fish Ints Michael Derrig RIP

Monday St Jerome

9.30am Christ the King
12.30pm Christ the Cornerstone Lynne Carter Int

Tuesday St Teresa of the Child Jesus

9.30am St Augustine's Lynne Carter Int
10am St Mary's Sean Connor RIP

Wednesday Holy Guardian Angels

9.30am St Augustine's
12.30pm Christ the Cornerstone

Thursday

9.30am St Augustine's Sister Genevieve RIP
10am St Mary's Canon Stan Condon RIP

Friday St Francis of Assisi

10am St Bede's
6pm St Augustine's Reconciliation and Adoration
7pm St Augustine's

Saturday

10am Our Lady of Lourdes Followed by Reconciliation